Augmentation of vigilance and security of seaways

†1267. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to take steps to augment the vigilance and security of seaways adjoining sea border of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and names of the routes on which there is necessity to increase vigilance?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and (b) India's coastal waters are guarded by the Indian Coast Guard and Indian Navy in coordination with the State Police. The security and surveillance apparatus in India's territorial waters and exclusive economic zone has been enhanced substantially over the years. The improvement of such an apparatus, based on felt needs, is an on-going process.

Development of ECM and RCM by BEL

1268. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Electronics Ltd. (BEL) was asked to develop Air Borne Com Jam System (ECM) and Radar Communication Jammer;

(b) if so, the status of development and investment made for the same; and

(c) whether production has started and the present order book position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) No, Sir

(b) BEL has developed Air Borne Com ECM System for demonstration to IAF. About Rs. 2.5 Crores investment was made for the same by BEL through its own fund.

(c) There are no orders on BEL for the same and hence question does not arise.

Cost and delivery schedule of Admiral Gorshkov

1269. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has contacted Russia for procurement of the latter's decommissioned warship Admiral Gorshkov after renovating and modernizing;

(b) whether the contract included cost and delivery schedule to be adhered by Russia;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Russia have failed on both these conditions;

(e) if so, the present status of the contract indicating revisions in the conditions, if any mutually agreed between the procurer and supplier; and

(f) the reasons of agreeing to such revision by Government of India?

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